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SUBJECT: THAI ADVANCE TEAM DEPARTS FOR PEKING

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1. ON 21 DECEMBER, THE THAI ADVANCE TEAM TO THE PRC DEPARTED BANGKOK FOR HONG KONG. AFTER A THREE DAY STOPOVER IN HONG KONG, THE TEAM WILL CONTINUE ON TO PEKING. THE TEAM WAS HEAD BY UTHAI THONGPHAKDI, CHIEF OF THE KI ANCE DIVISION IN THE OFFICE OF THE UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS. ACCOMPANYING HIM, WERE FIRST SECRETARY ATTAPORN CHARUPAT, SECONB SECRETARY THANIT AKKASUT, THIRD SECRETARY PICHAI PONGPHET, AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY PERN PULTHONG.

2. THAI AMBASSADOR DESIGNATE TO THE PRC, M.R. KASEMSAMON KJDEMSRI WILL RETURN FROM JAKARTA IN EARLY JANUARY TO PREPARE FOR HIS ASSIGNMENT TO PEKING. HOWEVER THE EXACT DATE OF HIS DEPARTURE IS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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UNCERTAIN.

3. IN A CONVERSATION WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS, TET BUNNAK, CHIEF OF THE EAST ASIAN SECTION OF THE POLITICAL DIVISION OF THE MFA, STATED THAT FUNDS WERE STILL NOT ALLOCATED FOR THE PEKING MISSION AND THAT THE ADVANCE TEAM'S EXPENSES WERE BEING FUNDED FROM ANOTHER SOURCE WITHIN THE MFA. TE CONFIDED THAT THE ADVANCE TEAM WAS ORDERED TO DEPART BY FOR MIN CHATCHAI REGARDLESS OF BUDGETARY

DIFFICULTIES.

COMMENT: BUREAUCRATIC INERTIA WAS GIVEN AS THE REASON FOR THE DELAY IN THE DEPARTURE OF THE ADVANCE TEAM. IT COULD BE THAT THE INABILITY OF THE MFA BUREACRACY TO SWIFTLY ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR THE PEKING MISSION MAY FURTHER DELAY THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE THAI EMBASSY THERE.

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